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>>> "Shaver, Dave" <<u>dshaver@coalsource.com</u>> 12/14/2009 12:41 PM >>>

Steve....I spoke to Shane today about the pond. They are fighting snow today, but hope to be back to cleaning tomorrow. Shane thinks it will take two more days to finish, but I think realistically it will be later toward the end of the week. He needs to clean the bottom out sufficiently to get a good survey for the re-certification, and that will take a bit of time. The surveyor is scheduled to go up on Thursday. I will update you as we get closer.

From: Steve Christensen [mailto:stevechristensen@utah.gov]

Sent: Monday, December 14, 2009 10:50 AM

To: Shaver, Dave

Cc: Daron Haddock; Jim Smith; Karl Houskeeper Subject: Fwd: Crandall Canyon: Sediment Pond

Dave,

I need to clarify something relative to the sediment pond. When I e-mailed you earlier this morning, I had temporarily forgotten that we discussed the sediment pond deficiency (relative to the proposed water treatment facility) and that we agreed to handle the sediment pond cleaning solely with the N.O.V. I apologize for the oversight. However, at the time we discussed that I was under the impression that the pond cleaning would've been completed by now.

In light of the sediment pond volume concerns identified relative to the recently revised clean-out/maintenance plan for the proposed water treatment facility (i.e. routing the mine-water to the sediment pond as opposed to Crandall Ck), I'm hesitant to remove the sediment pond deficiency from the water treatment facility.

Again, I apologize for the previous e-mail. My Monday morning recall failed me. Give me a call and we can discuss this further. I need to know when the pond cleaning will be completed.

Thanks,

Steve

>>> Steve Christensen 12/14/2009 10:07 AM >>>

Hi Dave,

During this morning's staff meeting, the violation (relative to sediment levels at the main Crandall Canyon pond) was discussed and I wanted to touch bases with you on that.

What's the timing looking like for completing the sediment removal? As you're obviously aware (per the violation that was issued), the pond cleaning must be completed by December 29th. In addition, as part of the permitting of the proposed water treatment facility, a deficiency was identified that called for the sediment pond to be cleaned. As such, the water treatment facility can not receive final approval until the sediment pond cleaning has been completed.

When you get a chance, could you give me a quick update as to where we're at with this? Karl indicated this morning that the last time he was up there, there was a fair amount of material still in the pond.

Thanks,

Steve